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This paper is a request for a continuation under 37 CFR 1.53(d) of:

Applicant: Marshall Isman

Title:

METHOD FOR ANALYZING CAPACITY OF PARAL

PROCESSING SYSTEMS

Prior U.S. application no:

08/997,142

Filing Date:

December 23, 1997

The prior application was complete as defined by 37 CFR 1.51(b), or was a national stage of an international application filed in compliance with 35 USC §371.

This request for a CPA is the reference to the prior application noted above as required by 35 USC §120. Kindly abandon the prior application in favor of the continued proceedings that are requested herein.

Kindly enter the unentered amendment which was previously filed on January 13, 2000, but was not entered in the prior prosecution of this case.

The prior application is assigned of record to Ab Initio Software Corporation, a Delaware corporation, by virtue of an assignment submitted to the Patent and Trademark Office for recording on July 2, 1998 at 9296/0638.

This request includes 2 sheets.

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The entire disclosure of the prior application is part of this application and is incorporated by reference.

Basic filing fee	\$345
Total claims in excess of 20 times \$9	\$0
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Total filing fee:	\$462

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